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SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY ON BANGLADESH ARMS

STERN (PM) TESTIFIED BEFORE SFRC APRIL 5 ON THE FY 77  
SECURITY ASSISTANCE REQUEST. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION  
REGARDING POSSIBLE U.S. ARMS SALES TO BANGLADESH POSED  
BY SENATOR HUMPHREY, STERN SAID: "THE BANGLADESH GOVERN-  
MENT HAS DISCUSSED WITH US IN A GENERAL WAY THEIR PERCEIVED  
NEEDS FOR MILITARY SUPPLIES, BUT NO SPECIFIC REQUEST HAS  
BEEN RECEIVED. AS YOU KNOW, OUR POLICY TOWARD BANGLADESH  
REFLECTS OUR HUMANITARIAN CONCERN FOR THE RELIEF AND  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE PEOPLE OF THAT COUNTRY. WE  
DO NOT SEEK AN ARMS SUPPLY RELATIONSHIP WITH BANGLADESH  
THAT WOULD DIVERT SIGNIFICANT RESOURCES FROM THE PRIMARY  
REQUIREMENT FOR DEVELOPMENT. HOWEVER, WE WOULD BE PRE-  
PARED TO CONSIDER LICENSE REQUESTS FOR CASH SALES ON A  
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COMMERCIAL BASIS OF LIMITED MILITARY EQUIPMENT, SUCH AS

TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION ITEMS FOR INTERNAL SECURITY PURPOSES." KISSINGER

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